

CIA suit

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Today's Washington Post carries a UPI story headed "CIA Able to Control Minds By Hypnosis, Data Shows."

According to the story these CIA records were obtained under FOIA by Science Trends, a newsletter, which made the records available to UPI.

There is no doubt at all that this information is within my prior requests of the CIA, one in particular on which it just stopped sending me copies of records ~~it~~ it did make available to others.

By prior I mean by about two years.

This story represents the second recent CIA release to another of what I had requested and had not been provided.

This particular story represents information in which I have mixed interests, special interests aside from the general interest represented in the requests.

Its release follows my complaint/appeal to CIA over the previous one. It therefore is not accidental.

One of these special interests was prompted by the novel The Billiken Courier. Another is the prior experience, theories and present interests of my source Mike.

The novel claims that its postulate about hypnosis is based upon an actual case in which the subject of hypnosis was induced to do what he ordinarily would not have done. It is a Copenhagen case. Recollection was triggered by display of the billiken (approx.- my copy of the novel was borrowed and not returned.) in the part of the novel of interest to me.

What this story does not go into is that if a woman can be persuaded to shoot an associate for no good reason when she is under hypnosis it is apparent that anyone can be induced to assassinate under hypnosis.

The Warren Commission had such an interest. I obtained this record years ago. In it, it now is clearly apparent, the CIA did not tell the Commission what it knew. These released records relate to experiments of the period 1951-1954.